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SUBJECT: CSCE: CBM'S: FURTHER SOVIET APPROACH ON MAJOR
MILITARY MOVEMENTS

HELSINKI FOR VEST

VIENNA FOR DEAN

1. SOVIET MINISTER- COUNSELOR VORONTSOV TOOK THE OCCASION
OF A MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL MAY 22 ON
ANOTHER SUBJECT TO RAISE THE ISSUE OF PRIOR NOTIFICATION
OF MAJOR MILITARY MOVEMENTS AS AN ELEMENT IN CBM'S IN THE
SECURITY MANDATE IN CSCE. EMPHASIZING THAT HE WAS SPEAKING
FOR THE AMBASSADOR, WHO HAD LEFT FOR NEW YORK, VORONTSOV
SAID THAT MOSCOW PROCEEDED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THERE IS
FULL UNDERSTANDING BY THE US OF THE SOVIET VIEW THAT SUCH
NOTIFICATION SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE SECURITY MANDATE.
IT APPEARED STILL TO BE CAUSING DIFFICULTIES IN HELSINKI,

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HOWEVER, AND MOSCOW WOULD LIKE THE US TO DO WHAT IT COULD TO REMOVE THIS STUMBLING BLOCK.

2. STOESSEL AGREED THAT WE HAD A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE SOVIET VIEW ON THIS SUBJECT. IN HELSINKI VEST HAS EXPLAINED TO HIS SOVIET COLLEAGUE THAT AN ALLIED PROBLEM EXISTS ON THE SUBJECT WHICH WILL TAKE A LITTLE TIME TO RESOLVE. STOESSEL UNDERSTOOD THAT PROGRESS WAS BEING MADE AND THAT A SOLUTION MAY BE FOUND SOON IN WHICH THE QUESTION WOULD NOT BE IN-

CLUDED IN THE MANDATE ALTHOUGH IT WOULD BE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE SUBJECT COULD COME UP LATER FOR DISCUSSION IN THE COMMISSIONS.

3. VORONTSOV NOTED THAT TIME WAS PASSING RAPIDLY AND WONDERED WHETHER THE PROBLEM COULD BE WORKED OUT BY JUNE 1. STOESSEL REPLIED THAT HE HOPED THIS WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED DURING THE CURRENT WEEK AND IF NOT, CERTAINLY DURING THE COURSE OF NEXT WEEK. RUSH

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